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VIENNA FOR LEDSKY

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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS

REF: ANKARA 2428 (DTG 011415Z APR 77)

1. TURKISH WEEKEND PRESS CONTINUED TO GIVE PROMINENT BUT SECONDARY TREATMENT TO VIENNA TALKS. THE PRIMARY THRUST OF MOST ARTICLES APRIL 2 WAS THAT GREEK CYPRIOT LAND PROPOSAL DID NOT IN TURKS' OPINION REPRESENT A SERIOUS ATTEMPT TO NEGOTIATE TERRITORIAL ISSUE. THEME OF MOST REPORTING WAS THAT
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VERY LITTLE PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE AND THAT TALKS APPEARED TO BE NEAR AN IMPASSE.

2. TERCUMAN IN VIENNA DATELINED STORY APRIL 3 REPORTED THAT TURKISH CYPRIOT CONSTITUTIONAL PROPOSAL HAD BEEN CONSIDERED "CONSTRUCTIVE AND RESPONSIBLE" BY SEC GEN WALDHEIM. GREEK CYPRIOT NEGOTIATOR PAPADOPOULOS PLAYED THE ROLE OF THE VILLAIN

IN MOST TURKISH PRESS REPORTS APRIL 3. ACCORDING TO HURRIYET, US OBSERVER LEDSKY HAD MET WITH PAPADOPOULOS AND TOLD HIM THAT GREEK CYPRIOT INTRANSIGENCE WAS A GREAT TACTICAL MISTAKE. PAPADOPOULOS THEN ASKED LEDSY TO LEAVE STATING THAT HE WOULD NOT DISCUSS WITH HIM THE "POLICY OF AN INDEPENDENT STATE, THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS". GUNAYDIN APRIL 3 CARRIED REPORT STATING THAT UNITED STATES IS ATTEMPTING TO APPLY PRESSURE TO BOTH SIDES TO KEEP NEGOTIATIONS GOING.

3. APRIL 4 MILLIYET CARRIED FRONT-PAGE INTERVIEW WITH PAPADOPOULOS HEADLINED "I AM NOT HOPEFUL ABOUT VIENNA." TURKISH PRESS APRIL 4 GIVES EXTENSIVE COVERAGE TO A STATEMENT BY DENKTASH TO THE EFFECT THAT THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS DID NOT GO TO VIENNA "TO PLAY A GAME BUT TO ESTABLISH THEIR RIGHTS."

4. COMMENT: TURKISH PRESS COVERAGE OF THE VIENNA TALKS ACCURATELY REFLECTS POPULAR TURKISH BELIEF THAT, DESPITE FORTH-COMING ATTITUDE OF TURKISH CYPRIOTS, THE INTRANSIGENCE OF THE GREEK CYPRIOTS WILL MAKE MAJOR PROGRESS AT VIENNA UNLIKELY IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE.
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